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Hongkong, April 29, 1911.

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(From Our Own Correspondent)

NANNING, April 19.

The weather in Nanning has been very

cold and it is about two weeks since we

saw the sun appear. The river has risen

several feet and traffic is unimpeded.

Trade is fairly good, and motor-boats

are constantly arriving and departing.

Bunker and Co have just completed two

new vessels: one, the Tien Kong, has made

her maiden trip: she will run between

Nanning and Po Se. The old Tien Kong

will not, I believe, come up again. The

Kwang Nam ran aground on the Big Rapid

but was not seriously injured.

Our Commissioner, Mr G. E. Tarrant,

is being transferred to Meng Tsai; and Mr

K. J. Andes will take his place.

Mr T. D. Moorhead, who was associated

with Nanning for so long, has been ap-

pointed Postal Commissioner at Mukden.

Mr J. F. Pusey, lately at Kinchow,

has taken Mr E. H. Borowski's place as

Assistant: he has been transferred to

Amoy.

Amongst the missionaries there have

been several changes as well. Dr and

Mrs Clift have returned from a short

furlough and Mr A. H. Mackenzie who has

been on the staff at St. Stephen's College,

Hongkong, for some years, has joined

them in Nanning at their work. In the

Alliance Mission, Mr Landis' place is taken

by Mr Hamil and Mr Soderberg.

A plot to murder the officials and the

foreigners was recently brought to light by

one of the conspirators turning "King's

Evidence." Some of the new soldiers

were implicated.

It seems that a well-to-do man from

across the river was incarcerated in the

Magistrate's Yamen awaiting the finding

of fuller evidence for his execution. It was

suspected that he had had a hand in some

recent robberies. He and a friend with

him established communications with the

military guard at the Pagoda; thirty of the

latter were to gain entrance into the city

at night, raid an arsenal and attack the

Yamen. They calculated that the

soldiers inside the city would join them

and the Yamen attendants would

flee. The man employed in taking

messages from the prisoners to their military

friends outside was suddenly overcome

with fear and disclosed the whole affair to

the mandarins. The men in the prison

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TYphoon Signals.

STORM-WARNINGS ISSUED FROM THE HONGKONG OBSERVATORY.

The following Typhoon signals are hoisted on the mast in front of the Water Police Station, Kowloon, the Harbour Office, the Kowloon Godowns, H. M. S. Tamar, and Green Island signal mast.

A CONE indicates a Typhoon pointing upwards to the North of the Colony.

A CONE indicates a Typhoon to the North-East of the Colony.

A DRUM indicates a Typhoon to the East of the Colony.

A CONE indicates a Typhoon to the South-East of the Colony.

A CONE indicates a Typhoon to the South of the Colony.

A CONE indicates a Typhoon to the South-West of the Colony.

A BALL indicates a Typhoon to the West of the Colony.

A CONE indicates a Typhoon to the North-West of the Colony.

Red Signals indicate that the centre is believed to be more than 300 miles away from the Colony.

Black Signals indicate that the centre is believed to be less than 300 miles away from the Colony.

The above signals will, as heretofore, be hoisted only when typhoons exist in such positions or are moving in such directions that information regarding them is considered to be of importance to the Colony or to shipping leaving the harbour.

LEGEND SIGNALS.

In addition to the above, when it is expected that the wind may increase to full typhoon force at any moment, the following Urgent Signals will be made at the Water Police Station, and repeated at the Harbour Office:—

THREE EXTRACTIVE BLOWS AT INTERVALS OF TEN SECONDS.

A Black Cross will be hoisted at the same time, superior to the other shapes.

NIGHT SIGNALS.

The following Night Signals will be hoisted from the Flagstaff on the roof of the Water Police Station at Kowloon, the Harbour Office Flagstaff, and H. M. S. Tamar.

I. Three Lights Vertical, Green, Green Green, indicates that a typhoon is believed to be situated less than 300 miles from the Colony.

II. Three Lights Vertical, Red, Red Green, indicates that a typhoon is believed to be situated more than 300 miles from the Colony.

III. Three Lights Vertical, Red, Green Red, indicates that the wind may be expected to increase to full typhoon force at any moment.

No. III Signal will be accompanied by the Explosive Bomb, as above, in the event of the information conveyed by this signal being first published by night.

The Night Signals will be substituted for the Day Signals at sunset, and will, when necessary, be altered during the night.

SUPERFLUOUSLY WARNS.

For the benefit of Native Craft and passing Ocean Vessels, a Cone will be exhibited at each of the following stations during the time that any of the above Day Signals are hoisted in the Harbour.

Gap Head, Aberdeen.

Wan Chai, Sai Kung.

Stanley, Tai Po.

Lake Colinson, Tai Po.

This will indicate that there is a degree of depression somewhere in the China Sea, and that a warning is hoisted in the harbour.

NOTES.—(1) Signals are always to be given to Ocean Vessels on demand by signal from the last hours.

T. G. F. T.

REVIEWS.

Revelations of the Servi Soc. by WILHELM LE QUOIX. London, G. Bell and Sons, Ltd.

The title of this latest production from the pen of Mr Le Quoix speaks for itself. In fact the book comprises twelve separate and distinct chapters each consisting of a "revelation" told by "Hugh Morris, Chief Travelling Agent of the Confidential Department of His Britannic Majesty's Government." We suppose there will always be a large class of readers to whom Mr Le Quoix's sensational writings will appeal, but for us we cannot escape the ever-present query as to the purpose they fulfil. As a novelist who thrills and excites Mr Le Quoix is known by everybody, and his present book certainly upholds his reputation in these respects.

A Reconstructed Marriage, by AMELIA E. BARR. London, T. Fisher Unwin.

This is a well-told story in which the characters are vividly drawn. The main theme is a host conflict which Robert Campbell, a shrewd young Scoutman, has to decide between the claims of his old home, to which he is deeply attached, and the consideration that no pressure from India would be allowed to interfere with the speedy conclusion of the proposed agreement. The Chinese Minister, H. E. Liu Yu-lin, made a speech in which he said that without the Society's support the people of China would never know that they were supported by English public opinion. On behalf of his Government he thanked the Society for its efforts.

The banquet held in Shanghai in celebration of St. George's Day was a big success. Sir H. Vivian W. de Soysa, President of the Shanghai branch of the Royal Society of St. George, presided over a distinguished gathering, and a thoroughly happy time was spent. During the evening the President announced that messages of congratulation and wishing success to the Society had been received from the parent Society, from Queensland, Yokohama, and Mr. Owen Smith—who was mainly responsible for their gathering that night—and from Adelaide, South Australia.

THE CHARTERED BANK MEETING.

At the fifty-seventh ordinary general meeting of the shareholders of the Chartered Bank of India, Australia and China held on the Bank's premises at 38, Bishopsgate, E.C., on Wednesday, March 20, 1911, Sir Montagu Cornish Turner (chairman of the company) presided.

The Chairman in the course of his speech said the past year had been one of moderate and steady trade throughout the world. In some quarters circumstances had occurred which had in a measure interfered with the ordinary flow of industries. In the Far East—in Shanghai, for example—a wild speculation in rubber shares and the consequent collapse of credit in native banking circles brought about an acute financial crisis, the ill-effects of which were partly averted by strong and united action on the part of the foreign banks, supported by the Government of Peking through the agency of the local *taotsi*, but the effects of this financial crisis were felt for some considerable time, and proved a decided set-back to our trade in North China. Then in Manchuria an outbreak of plague of a particularly virulent form completely paralysed for a time the export trade of Manchuria. In Japan they had to contend with a period of cheap local money, and at the moment there were indications of over-trading in certain quarters, brought about by a desire to anticipate the increased scale of tariffs which, they presumed, would come into force during the year. This overtrading had produced the overstocking of certain goods, especially woolen goods, and the effect of this had been the failure already of several small traders. This was just an illustration of the danger of tampering with tariffs. (Hear, hear.) The energy and enterprise of Japanese traders, especially those engaged in textile goods, was making itself more and more apparent in their competition with the foreign traders in Manchuria and in North China. This was to be expected, and must be met by renewed efforts and renewed determination on the part of European merchants. In the Straits Settlements and in the Federated Malay States we have had our full share of the increased business arising from the great development of the rubber industry. I am glad to see that the Straits Settlements are at the moment in such a happy and prosperous condition.

In India, Burma, and Ceylon the trade has been very good during the past year, although in India and Burma the trade was somewhat later than usual, but thanks to a fall and ample rainfall in the past year in the winter rains, India was in a highly prosperous condition.

The report and accounts being adopted by the Chairman need not be repeated.

Mr. Thomas Cathcarton seconded the motion, which was unanimously agreed.

The Chairman proposed that Mr. William Root, Mitchell be elected a Director, and this was seconded by Mr. L. A. Walker and agreed.

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. George Hamill, G. S. A., seconded by Mr. W. H. N. Gordon, Sir Montagu Cornish Turner was re-elected a Director, and the amount of pension under the Act shall not exceed £1,200 per annum.

NEWS OF THE DAY.

The Yokohama Office of the C. P. R. is in receipt of a wireless message from the R. M. S. Empress of Japan, arrival midnight on Friday, 29th April, when the vessel was 1,700 miles distant from Japan, advising all, and that the Commander expects to reach Yokohama at 5.00 a.m., on Thursday, the 4th instant.

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At the annual meeting of the Society for the Suppression of the Opium Traffic in London a resolution was adopted welcoming the Anglo-Chinese Agreement in regard to the traffic in opium; congratulating the Government on its action in the matter, and trusting that no pressure from India would be allowed to interfere with the speedy conclusion of the proposed agreement. The Chinese Minister, H. E. Liu Yu-lin, made a speech in which he said that without the Society's support the people of China would never know that they were supported by English public opinion. On behalf of his Government he thanked the Society for its efforts.

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WORLD'S NEWS IN BRIEF.

The arrival of motherhood and the household burdens are the chief attractions of a Bill introduced in the House of Commons by Senator Heath, popularly known as "the Clerk Mayor of Alton." The Bill provides that every female over thirty-five years of age who cannot show good and sufficient reasons uniting him to matrimony shall pay a yearly tax of £2. For the encouragement of motherhood the Bill provides the payment by the State of £20 to the mother of each child born within two years after marriage, and for each additional child born every two years afterwards. For twins a State premium of £40 and for triplets £60 will be furnished.

It is not certain that we have the certainty of witnessing a cricket match, but

the arrival of the British torpedo boat presented an opportunity which was taken advantage of with enthusiasm. A match was played on Tuesday between H. M. S. Otter and a team representing about

Woking the two the Otter battalions.

And, thanks to the sturdy building of P. G. and Gates (13) a total of 96 was obtained. Amy had the task of keeping up some 100 runs in just over an hour, which proved a bit too difficult for

Moors Brown and J. Island were together

for 40 minutes, and put on 73 runs for the

1st wicket, when the former was run out, having made 23. Mr. Tait, by some

astounding hitting, made 10, and soon after

Joseland retired with 60 to his credit.

The innings closed with the total at 125.

Amy thus winning by 32 runs.

LOSS OF A. S. MERVIL.

The sinking of this ill-fated ship has caused a great deal of anxiety to many of us here, as she carried a large mail both for Europe and Shanghai, all of which has been absolutely lost. There had been no steamer for the North for some days, and cons' quantity an extra large mail had accumulated. There were many Amy passengers on board her, amongst whom were two sons of Mr. Carrasco, of the New Amy Dock Co., Ltd., and it was with thankfulness that now reached him that his children had been saved, and had reached Shanghai.

AMONG ACTUARIES.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

AMSTERDAM, APRIL 26.

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Dr. Douglas Mawson, the leader of the

proposed Australian Antarctic expedition,

has expressed his intention of taking an

airplane with him to Antarctica. The

machine will probably be a Blériot mono-

plane.

The Inter-Island Commerce Commission

had heard complaints regarding the allega-

tion that Australia, Japan, and the Philip-

pines are likely to drive the hardwood

timbermen out of business unless the rail-

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DELTA	July 8	Marmora	10500	Aug. 6
ASSAYE	July 22	India	10000	Aug. 29
DELHI	Aug. 5	Holdavaria	10000	Sept. 3
DEVANHA	Aug. 19	Mongolia	10000	Sept. 30
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